

## Report of Survey Burke Lays Down Pen

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the central area are not yet completed, but the assays of the water underlying this part of the valley give results that are unfavorable to its use in irrigation and it is therefore necessary to advise settlers in the valley against expending money for wells and pumping plants in the localities where the first ground water encountered is perceptibly saline.

The survey of the valley reveals an interesting geologic history. That it once contained a lake several hundred square miles in extent is shown by various shore features that surround the central flat and also by the delicately laminated deposits that immediately underline this flat and are exposed in numerous excavations. Since the ancient lake disappeared and the water level retreated beneath the surface, the wind has scooped out large basins and formed clay hills, some of them 100 feet or more in height. During the present year the Geological Survey will publish a report on the region, which will discuss the geology, the water resources and the possibilities of irrigation.

A. W. Varney, having been appointed postmaster at Moriarty, shipped his household goods to that city yesterday. Moriarty is to be congratulated in securing Mr. and Mrs. Varney as permanent residents of their city. Mr. Varney has been employed as bookkeeper for the English Manufacturing Company of this city, and on receiving the appointment as postmaster resigned his position here. N. D. Meyer will take up the work which Mr. Varney has resigned here.

The following story is told at the expense of one of Uncle Sam's census enumerators. Arriving at a farm house where there was a new baby, he noticed that some one was in bed. "Is some one sick?" he asked. "Yes, Mrs. Blank is sick," was the reply. "Anything contagious?" "No, you are in no danger." He soon caught on by the laugh of the ladies present, and turned red as a beet.

C. H. Rittenhouse returned from El Paso Tuesday evening, where he went to see about securing a drill with which to sink test wells for the Estancia Irrigation Company. It is expected that contracts for the test wells will be signed up within the next few days, and consequently there will be something doing.

Mr. Williamson, northeast of town, took out a load of lumber and shingles yesterday, to build a house on his homestead.

William S. Burke, for the past twenty-nine years editor of the Albuquerque Morning Journal, and a newspaper man of almost three score years experience, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. H. Wroth, in Albuquerque on Sunday afternoon, after a short illness, at the age of 73 years. As a young man Mr. Burke enlisted in an Iowa infantry regiment, taking part in several engagements early in the war. He contracted a severe case of rheumatism, which made it necessary for him to retire from active service. From the effects of the disease he never fully recovered.

As a writer Mr. Burke has been one of the leaders in the whole western country. His strong personality and forceful editorials have to a marked degree been the means of placing the Journal where it now is—one of the leading newspapers of the southwest. He was a friend of all the papers in the territory and especially of the pencil pushers of those papers beginning publication in the more recent years.

Funeral services were conducted by the G. K. Warren Post, Grand Army of the Republic, on Tuesday.

### Obituary

Mrs. Onie McRee Wallace was born in Claybourn Parish, Louisiana, January 17, 1846, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. P. N. Dannevik, northwest of McIntosh, March 31, 1910, aged 64 years 2 months and 14 days. She was married to Col. Jefferson Wallace in Louisiana and later removed to Arkansas. She was the mother of six sons and two daughters, of whom five sons and one daughter survive. Mrs. Wallace came to the Estancia Valley two years ago, and has since made her home with her daughter. She was in poor health when she arrived, and never regained her accustomed health.

Mrs. Dannevik, the daughter, and two of the sons, Hamp and Lee Wallace, who reside in the valley, were with their mother during her last illness. The other two sons reside in the east.

Mrs. Wallace was a member of the M. E. Church of Magnolia, Aakansas, and was always consistent in her christian life. She retained her consciousness to the end and was perfectly resigned to leave this world.

The funeral service was conducted at the home of Mrs. Dannevik by Randolph Carver, pastor-at-large of the Presbyterian Church of the Estancia Valley, a large number of friends being in attendance. The remains were laid to rest in the Santa Fe Cemetery. We extend sympathy to the bereaved.

Miss Ettie Meador went to Willard yesterday.

### Estancia Church Directory.

#### METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

Services at the Baptist Church. Preaching service at 3:30 o'clock, fourth Sunday of each month.  
T. Edgar Neal, Pastor.

#### BAPTIST CHURCH.

Preaching Services, second and fourth Sundays, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School 10 a. m. C. B. Howell, Superintendent. Sunbeam Society, Sunday afternoon 3:00 p. m. Prayer Service Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Ladies Aid Society Wednesday 2 p. m.  
C. I. Walker, Pastor.

#### CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Services at Walker Hall  
Sunday School every Sunday at 10 p. m. Preaching every Fourth Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Ladies Aid Society meets first and third Wednesday afternoons.

#### METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday School 10 a. m. J. P. Porter, Superintendent. Preaching services every Sunday morning at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., conducted by the pastor. Everybody cordially invited, especially strangers.  
B. F. SUMMERS, PASTOR.

#### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Services at the Baptist Church  
Preaching Services first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. Westminster Circle the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 2:30 p. m. J. R. CARVER, Pastor.

#### CHURCH OF CHRIST.

The Bible Class meets every Lord's day at 10 a. m. Communion Service at 11 a. m. Preaching the 3rd Lord's day in each month at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.  
D. T. Broadus, Evangelist.

A cordial invitation is extended to attend these services.

### Lodges

#### A. F. & A. M.

Estancia Lodge No. 33, A. F. & A. M. meets on Saturday night on or before each full moon and two weeks thereafter at 8 o'clock p. m. at Masonic Hall over People's Drug Store.  
J. F. Lasater, W. M.  
J. E. Braxton, Sec'y.

#### I. O. O. F.

Estancia Lodge No. 23, I. O. O. F. meets every Friday night at 8 p. m. at their hall over People's Drug Store.  
L. D. Pollard, N. G.  
J. R. Wash, Sec'y.

#### W. O. W.

Estancia Camp No. 51, W. O. W. meets every second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 8 p. m. in Woodman Hall over Ellis' Cafe.  
James Walker, C. C.  
Fred Burruss, Clerk.

#### M. W. A.

Estancia Camp, No. 13727, M. W. A. meets every Monday night at 8 p. m. in Woodman Hall over Ellis' Cafe.  
H. L. Bainum, Consul.  
J. R. Carver, Clerk.

#### R. N. A.

Estancia Camp, R. N. A., No. 5584, meets the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 8 p. m. in Woodman Hall over Ellis' Cafe.

Mrs. I. M. Bennet, Oracle.  
Mrs. W. H. Mason, Recorder.

#### K. of P.

Estancia Lodge, K. of P. meets every Wednesday night at 8 p. m. in Woodman Hall over Ellis' Cafe.

A. J. Green, C. C.  
J. W. Brashears, K. of R. & S.

#### REBECAH LODGE

Stella Rebekah Lodge No. 17, meets in the Odd Fellows Hall over the Peoples Drug Store every 2d and 4th Wednesday of the month at 8 p. m.

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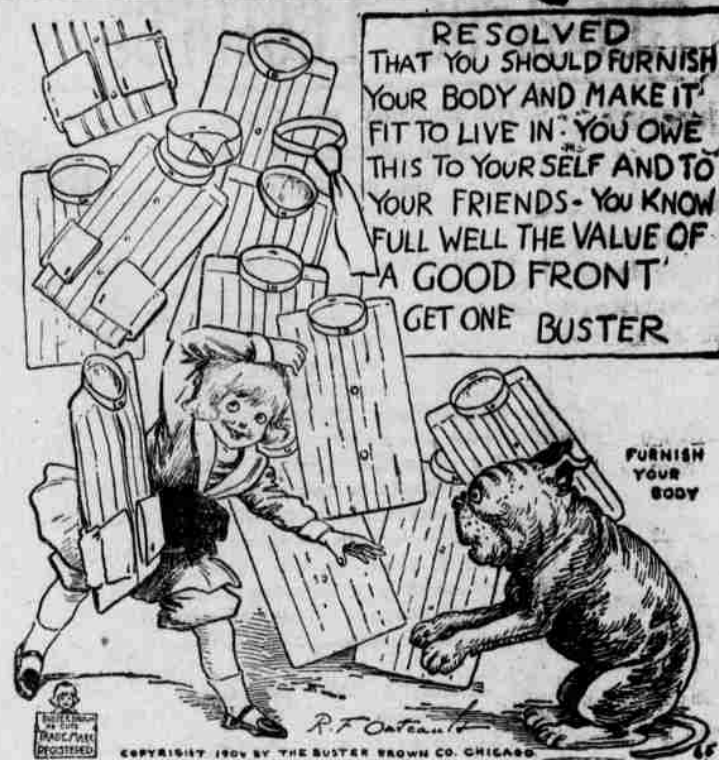
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BELLE GUINN.

Len Booth is on the sick list and A. L. Bond is having to deliver goods. Mr. Bond has worked his way up from the bottom and can therefore turn his hand to anything, taking the place of any of his employees.

J. A. Thomas subscribed for the News some time since, to be sent to his father at Rushville, Mo. The father threw a good sized bouquet at the News by saying it is a very interesting paper and that he is glad to get it.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Caddy, J. A. Thomas, "Texas Jimmy" Smith, L. A. Smith, Rev. Lytle and Johnnie Stephens were in from west of town yesterday.

O. L. Drake of Wichita, Kansas was in Estancia Tuesday, looking after his real estate holdings in the valley. Mr. Drake has been making periodical visits to the valley for several years past and always finds improvements along various lines. He never misses an opportunity to boost for the valley and has been the means of sending numerous homeseekers here.

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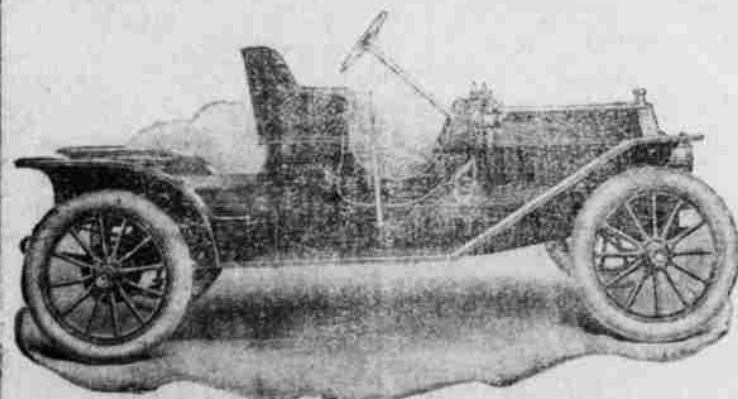
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